### TOWN OF WILBRAHAM

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#### WILBRAHAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

## Meeting Minutes from February 27, 2023

Members Present: Chairman Chris Brown, Alice Colman, Stoughton Smead, Robert McMaster and Associate Member James Coletta

Staff: Melissa Graves

\*\*\*This agenda was postponed from February 13, 2023 because of the lack of a quorum of voting Commission members\*\*\*

# 7:00 PM Tree Removal Request – 8 Maynard Road

Mr. Couture (not present) recently purchased this property and is having the house renovated inside and out including a new septic system. He has contracted with Excavation Plus for the new septic system and rebuilding two retaining walls. There are 2 trees that appear to be dead near the lower wall closest to the water's edge. Mr. Couture would like the 2 trees removed so he can restore the retaining wall. Several members of the Commission went to the site prior to the meeting. The Commission discussed having the owner use erosion controls, notifying the Commission when work was commenced and notifying when project was complete. A Request for Determination would generally be required for this type of work especially since it is so close to the river. Invite the owner in for further discussion.

**Motion:** Stoughton Smead, continue this request and discussion to March 13, 2023 for further discussion

2<sup>nd</sup>: Robert McMaster

**Unanimously in Favor:** Chris Brown, Alice Colman, Stoughton Smead, Robert McMaster

### Other Business

## Request for Certificate of Compliance 5 Harness Drive

The applicant has submitted all the required documents for the release of the Order of Conditions that was issued for the development of this parcel. This particular lot is outside of any jurisdictional wetland/buffer zones but was included in the original filing for The Bellows Subdivision.

**Motion:** Stoughton Smead, issue the Certificate of Compliance for 5 Harness Drive with DEP File #341-136

2<sup>nd</sup>: Robert McMaster

Unanimously in Favor: Chris Brown, Alice Colman, Stoughton Smead, Robert McMaster

Request for Certificate of Compliance 12 Willow Brook Ln

The owner of 12 Willow Brook Lane is requesting a Certificate of Compliance per the Special Condition that was issued for the development of this parcel. An "as-built" was submitted confirming location of the permanent markers and single family home. Several Commission members went to the site to confirm compliance. Even though the site seems stable, at this time there is not any grass growing in the disturbed area.

Motion: Stoughton Smead, continue this until the May 8, 2023 meeting pending the growth of grass cover

2<sup>nd</sup>: Robert McMaster

Unanimously in Favor: Chris Brown, Alice Colman, Stoughton Smead, Robert McMaster

Minutes: January 23, 2023

Motion: Stoughton Smead, accept the minutes as written

2<sup>nd</sup>: Robert McMaster

Unanimously in Favor: Chris Brown, Alice Colman, Stoughton Smead, Robert

McMaster

Minutes: February 13, 2023

Motion: Stoughton Smead, accept the minutes as written

2<sup>nd</sup>: Robert McMaster

Unanimously in Favor: Chris Brown, Alice Colman, Stoughton Smead, Robert

McMaster

Having no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:50 P.M.

Submitted:

Melissa Graves, Administrative Assistant

Date: 3 27 23

Approved As To Form And Content:

Christopher Brown, Chairman

Date: 3127 23